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The City of

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CITY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

City Office 925-1500
Utilities Department 925-1500
Pollution Control Plants 925-1714
Street Department 925-0624
Police-Fire 925-1500
Emergencies : Police and Fire.....911

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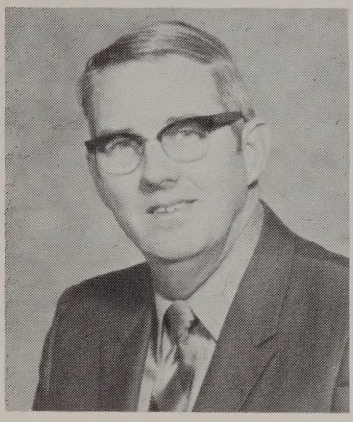


Welcome To Auburn:

On behalf of the people of Auburn, Indiana, I welcome you — perhaps to Indiana but especially to one of its finest small cities.

We are proud of our city for many reasons: You will find friendly people, an example of Hoosier Hospitality. Our advanced school and library facilities are well equipped and most progressive. Our youth and recreational facilities include a fine Y.M.C.A. program, a large, modern outdoor swimming pool, along with excellent parks for your enjoyment. You will find a church of your choice eager to welcome you. Our excellent DeKalb Memorial Hospital is located very close. Auburn is a fifth-class city with a mayor and council form of government.

Your city administration is constantly planning for future growth and advancement of Auburn. We want you to take an active part along with us to make your new "home town" one that is outstanding in every respect.

It will be a pleasure to meet you personally. Please feel free to visit my office in City Hall.

Sincerely,

John L. Foley
Mayor of Auburn

City Directory

CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor:	John L. Foley
Mayor's Secretary:	Cathie Strup
Clerk-Treasurer:	Patricia J. Clark
Councilmen:	Fredrick L. Brown — First District
	Loyal I. Bowerman—Second District
	Robert H. Eyler—Third District
	Dorsey E. Speer—Fourth District
	Fisher C. West — At Large
City Attorney:	Donald T. Mefford
Ass't. City Attorney:	John C. Grimm
City Judge:	Phyllis Gratz Poff
Police Commissioner:	Robert H. Eyler
Chief of Police:	Duane L. Keesler
Fire Commissioner:	Fredrick L. Brown
Chief of Fire Department:	Bill L. Walters
Ass't. Chief of Fire Department:	John H. Hess
Utilities Supt:	Robert Cameron
Supt. Water Pollution Control Plant:	Robert Parsons
Street Commissioner:	Homer Rose
Building Commissioner:	Noah E. Yoder
Board of Public Works and Safety:	John L. Foley
	Fredrick L. Brown
	Loyal I. Bowerman

Auburn City Hall

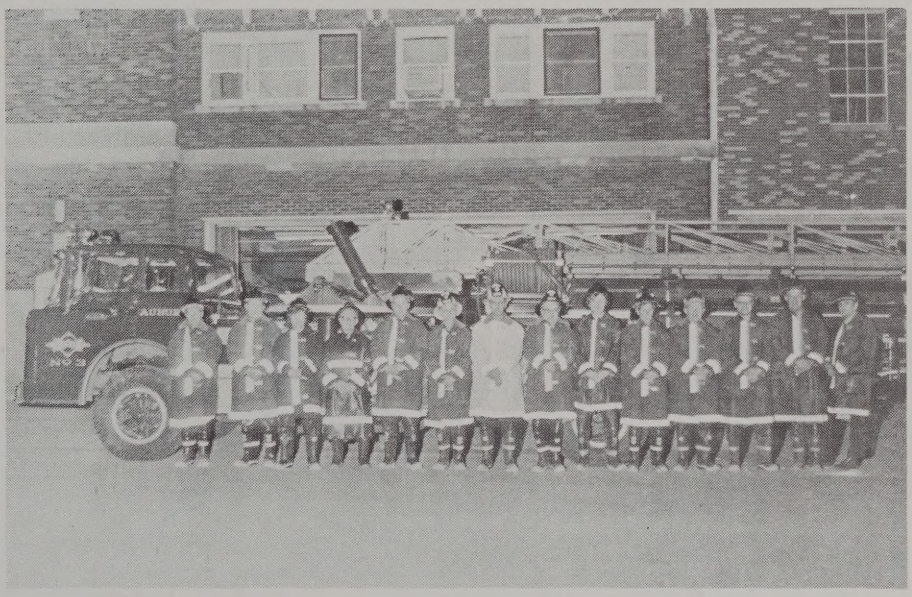
Fire Protection

The Auburn Fire Department is located in the City Hall at Ninth and Cedar streets. The apparatus quarters are located on the first floor; meeting room and living quarters are located on the second floor.

The department consists of the following personnel:

One fulltime chief, three fulltime drivers, and 14 volunteer firemen. The officers of the department are chief, assistant chief, captain, lieutenant, and secretary-treasurer.

Apparatus available consists of the following: Two 1,000-GPM pumpers; one 75'-aerial ladder truck; one all-wheel brushbuggy; one 1800-gallon tanker; one emergency-unit van, and one all-purpose van. All vehicles are equipped with two-way radios.



All calls are received and dispatched from the Fire Department by the Bell Telephone System. Average calls per year run between 80 and 100; 10 percent are rural calls. The average fire loss per year on building and contents are $350. The average total fire loss per year is $16,000.

The total area coverage for the department is 10 to 15 miles. (This includes Union Twp.)

All members are trained in first aid. Meetings and practices are held twice monthly.

The Auburn Fire Department has membership in the National Fire Protection Association, Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association, DeKalb Co. Firemen's Association, Indiana Fire Chiefs' Association, Indiana Fire Marshall Program, and the Indiana Insurance Service Organization.

Public Protection

The aim of the Auburn Police Department is to maintain an organization with the following Code of Ethics:

AS A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, my fundamental duty is to serve mankind; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional rights of all men to liberty, equality and justice.

I WILL keep my private life unsullied as an example to all; maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I WILL never act officiously or permit my personal feelings, prejudices, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I RECOGNIZE the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of the public service. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession ... law enforcement.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
REPORT FOR 1972

I. CALLS-TOTAL	21,665
II. ACCIDENTS-TOTAL	340
III. COMPLAINTS-TOTAL	1,638
IV. REPORTED THEFTS-TOTAL	178
V. COURT CASES-TOTAL	285
VI. PARKING METER TICKETS ISSUED	21,913

The Auburn Police Department, located in City Hall, consists of the following personnel:

Chief Duane Keesler	Asst. Chief Ervin Bartels
Michael Gee	Richard A. Pickard
Robert H. Shuff	Edw. E. McDonald
DuWayne Stemen	Colynn Bender
Calvin Easterday	Ronald Hagewood

Two full time radio operators:

James Rittenhouse Mildred Herbolsheimer

Firemen Gilbert Potter, Blake Smith and Clarence Boger with their combined time make up for a third radio operator.

Auburn Police Department

Post Office

Auburn Post Office 925-4760
South Jackson
Elmer Minard, Postmaster

Utilities

The following facilities comprise the Auburn Utilities Department:

1. Complete Water System
2. Complete Electric System
3. Complete Sewage Treatment Plant
   (excluding the sewage distribution system)

Permits for electric and water can be secured at the utilities office, first floor, City Hall. Permits for sewage can be secured at the city garage, South Wayne Street.

Deposit for utilities services are required for any one requesting services. This deposit is returned to the customer upon one year of prompt payment for services.

Auburn Water Department

HOW IT WORKS

Water is supplied to the City of Auburn by means of electric pumps from one or more of the eight wells. These pumps and all electric equipment are within the water auxiliary generator unit. The pumps are controlled by means of a telemetering system which automatically starts and stops the pumps.

The water upon being pumped to the surface goes through an aeration tower where the water cascades down and over a series of redwood discs, while forced air supplied by a blower maintains the desired oxygen level. This process also disperses undesirable odor, gases, and to some extent iron. Also by this method, water is crystalized, which is very beneficial in further treatment of raw water.

Upon completion of the aeration process, the water is forced by gravity to a reservoir and wet wells. Here, electric high service pumps force the water through the high pressure filters where undesireable irons, manganese, etc. are reduced to produce very desirable drinking water. The high pressure filters consist of two tanks approximately 54 feet long and 10 feet in diameter. Within these tanks, where the actual filtering takes place, there is a layer of anthrafilt, stone and sand of the highest quality. Back flushing of these high pressure filters is very essential for good, safe, high quality drinking water.

Within the water treatment building records are collected, maintained, and laboratory analyses are performed. Electric controls for the various equipment are also housed here. At this point, disinfection by chlorination takes place to insure the desired high quality water for the citizens of Auburn.

Three additional wells of two million capacity per day are available when needed.

WATER TREATMENT PLANT DATA

Minimum water treated, Gallons per day	1,286,000
Maximum water treated, Gallons per day	2,347,000
Water plant capacity, Gallons per day	4,423,000
Pump capacity, Average GPM	516.5
Depth raw water wells, Average feet	237
Water storage reservoirs, Three	110,000
Water treated, Gallons per year	547,911,000

Water line tapping permits are granted by the utilities superintendent's office which is located on the first floor of the City Hall. Deposits on water services are made at the utilities office, City Hall.

WATER SYSTEM DATA

Water mains, 4 inch/feet	149,905
Water mains, 6 inch/feet	56,358
Water mains, 8 inch/feet	13,408
Water mains, 10 inch/feet	6,500
Water mains, 12 inch/feet	1,700
Water mains, all feet/miles	224,471/42.7
Water storage, elevated tank gallons	500,000
Water main system pressure, average per lbs.	60
Industrial, commerical sprinkler systems	22
Hydrants, system total	252
Metered water customers, system total	2,436

SCHEDULE OF METER RATES PER M GALLONS PER QUARTER

10,000 gallons	$ .62
5,000 gallons	.37
20,000 gallons	.28
200,000 gallons	.26
200,000 gallons	.17
All over 435,000 gallons	.12

Auburn Electric Department

Auburn owns its own water, electric and sanitary facilities which are all in good condition. We purchase electricity from Indiana and Michigan Electric Company and sell within a six mile radius of Auburn. Our rates are a minimum charge of $1.75 per KVA of billing demand; the first portion up to 25 KWH times demand, times 0.430 KWH; the second portion up to 100 KWH times demand, times 0.175; the third portion up to 200,000 KWH times demand, times .0070. These rates are very much in line with other utilities servicing the area and are generally considered lower.

HOW IT WORKS

The Indiana and Michigan Electric Company supplies power through power transmission lines to an electric substation. Here this ultra high voltage is reduced by power transformers to a high voltage through a series of switches and is transferred to the city transmission lines.

The city transmission lines then supply the four electric substations, which are strategically located throughout Auburn. From these four electric substations, the high voltage is again reduced by transformers to a distribution voltage which goes to all sections of Auburn.

This distribution voltage is reduced again by means of transformers; and upon completion of this operation, we have house power.

The transformers are perhaps the most important equipment in the electric system as they reduce the ultra high voltage to a distribution voltage which is easier to regulate and control.

The simplest transformers consist of a steel core and two separate coils.

The Auburn Electric Department is non-tax supported but owns and maintains all facilities within the city of Auburn and surrounding area. The profits from the electric system are used to maintain and update the system.

Auburn population	7,337--1970
Electric customers, Residential	3,537--1972
Electric customers, Industrial	16--1972
Electric customers, Total	3,553--1972
Electric customer, Average rate	01.88 KWH--1972
Electric customer, Average use	2,500 KWH--1972
Power purchased 1972	96,700,000 - KWH
Total system peak, KWH summer	17,300--1972
Total system peak, KWH winter	18,200--1972
Substation capacity	22,500--K.V.A all
Transmission above	22 KV, 34.5 KV 3 miles
Transmission above	22KV, 65.0 KV 1.5 miles
Distribution primary	2.4/7.2/12.5-- 68 miles

Auburn Sewage Department

HOW IT WORKS

Sewage is conveyed to the plant by a sewer system varying in size. Here sewage is ground into a settleable size using a grinder. It is then pumped into a circular grit removal tank where inorganic material is removed by settling and is scraped to an inclined rake. The mechanical rake automatically deposits nearly dried grit into a storage bunker for landfill disposal.

The sewage then flows by gravity into four rectangular primary settling tanks. Here raw sewage solids and waste return sludge are removed and scraped into hoppers in the bottom of the tanks to be pumped periodically to the two heated digestion tanks. Kitchen greases and fats are automatically skimmed off and removed together with the settleable solids. These solids are reduced biochemically in the two digesters into liquid, gas, and digested sludge.

Sewage still containing pollutants flows by gravity into six aeration tanks equipped with both mechanical propeller type aerators and forced air diffusers. Here aerobic bacteria are in a favorable medium.

Following the aeration process where the pollutants are destroyed by bacterial action, the effluent flows by gravity to the secondary settling tanks. Here the activated sludge is settled out and scraped into hoppers. This is recycled by pumping or is wasted to the primary tanks for disposal to the digesters. The suspended solids are reduced to produce an effluent compatible with the requirements of the receiving stream.

The sewage, after reduction in the sludge digester, is sampled and drawn off into a tank truck or to sludge drying beds. The liquid contains a very low per cent of solids and is returned to the plant influent. Methane gas is used to supply fuel for the heating of the digesters. This digested sludge is trucked to farm fields for fertilizer. All plant effluent is disinfected by chlorination to insure proper receiving stream requirements. Plant-wide phosphate removal is now in operation. We are perhaps one of the first in the State of Indiana to perform phosphate removal on a full scale.

In the control building, records are collected, maintained and laboratory analyses are performed to insure the desired discharge into the receiving stream. Also housed here are the main electrical controls, the mechanical blowers, and sludge pumps.

SEWAGE SYSTEM DATA

Combined sewers, 36-78 inches per feet	10,000
Maximum capacity, Gallons per day	41,400,000
Intercepting sewer, 11-36 inches per feet	35,000
Maximum capacity, Gallons per day	3,900,000
Manhole, Catch basin totals	250

SEWAGE TREATMENT PLAN DESIGN DATA

Design dry flow, Gallons per day	2,000,000
Design wet flow, Gallons per day	6,000,000
Sewage plant, capacity, Gallons per day	6,000,000
Primary tanks volume, Gallons	83,000
Aeration tanks volume, Gallons	370,000
Secondary tanks volume, Gallons	83,500
Digestion tanks volume, Gallons	249,000
Sewage plant average flow, Gallons/day	3,000,000

Sewage rates are based on water consumption of 133 percent, or 133 percent of water rates.

Sanitary sewer tapping permits are granted by the street commissioner's office which is located in the street building on South Wayne Street. Deposits on sanitary sewers are made at the utilities office, City Hall.

QUANTITY OF WATER USED PER QUARTER

		Rate per 1,000 Gal.
First	10,000 gallons	$ .83
Next	5,000 gallons	.52
Next	20,000 gallons	.41
Next	200,000 gallons	.39
Next	200,000 gallons	.28
Over	435,000 gallons	.22

The minimum charge for sewage services where the user is a metered water consumer shall be based upon the size of the water connection and shall be as follows:

RATE PER 1,000 GALLONS

	Minimum Charge Per Mo.	Per Qtr.
5/8 and 3/4 inch meters	$ 2.75	$ 8.25
1 inch meter	5.50	16.50
1 1/2 inch meter	11.00	33.00
2 inch meter	17.90	53.70
3 inch meter	41.25	123.75
4 inch meter	55.00	165.00
6 inch meter	110.00	330.00

GAS COMPANY

Natural gas in Auburn is supplied by the Northern Indiana Fuel and Light Company, Inc. Business offices are located at 156 E. Seventh St., Auburn, and the telephone number is 925-2700. For any information concerning gas rates and supply, contact R.J. Marshall at the gas company.

PHONE COMPANY

Indiana Bell Telephone Company, Inc., with offices at 322 W. Seventh Street, Auburn, provides telephone service for Auburn. For information on rates and charges, contact the Indiana Bell business office at 925-2060.

Radio Station

Auburn and Northeastern Indiana are served via the airwaves by WIFF Radio, operating on both AM and FM frequencies from facilities just south of Auburn on County Road 29.

WIFF-FM 105.5, began broadcasting on April 10, 1967; it was joined by WIFF-AM 1570, on September 3, 1968. The FM station operates at an effective power of 3,000 watts, the AM at 500 watts.

Principal stockholders in the company — C.P. Broadcasters, Inc. — are: Wayne H. Paradise of Auburn; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Paradise of Auburn; and Mr. and Mrs. John Clark of Hammond.

Wayne Paradise is president and station manager. William T. Pauley of Spencerville is assistant manager and program director. Philip Haberkorn of St. Joe is news director, Dave Martin of Butler is sports director. Mrs. Evelyn Marks of Fremont is traffic co-ordinator; Mrs. Peg Myers of Auburn continuity director; and Ron Hensley of Auburn, chief engineer.

WIFF gears its programming to serve the specific needs of the local audience. This includes extensive coverage of local and area news. A daily report is broadcast by Mrs. Marks from Steuben County, Doris Martin from Churubusco, Laura Nell Lillie from Garrett, and Pat Oberlin from Butler, to complement the news from Auburn and the rest of the area gathered by the news director. State and national news comes from United Press International. Complete local news is broadcast four times per day.

News coverage is expanded by several feature programs on WIFF. "Party Line" is a daily interview that provides listeners the opportunity to speak via telephone on the air with the guest for the day. "The Nell Souers Show" is another interview program which includes a listing of area activities. "Town and Country" is a report from the County Extension Service. "Trading Post" provides the listener a "Want-Ad Column of the Air," on which items may be advertised for sale.

City Parks

Eckhart Park, South Cedar Street — 17 acres — Features pavillion, playground equipment, picnic tables and charcoal grills.

Auburn Memorial, South Phillip Street — 12 acres — Features ball diamond for Pony League and American Legion games; also picnic facilities, playground equipment and tennis courts.

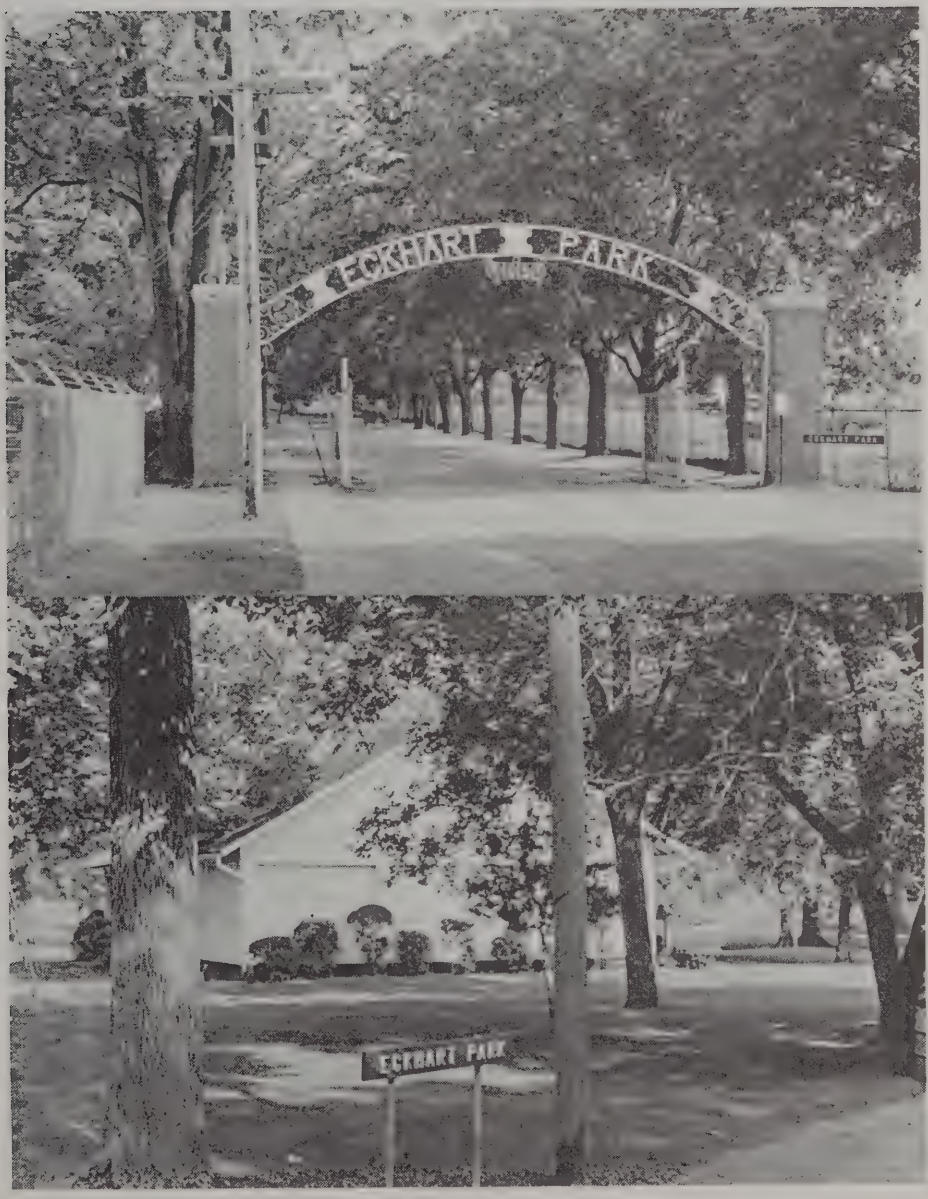
Thomas Park, North Union Street — Features Little League ball diamonds, tennis courts and playground equipment. This park covers an area of five acres.

Forrest Park, South Park Avenue— 3 acres — Features picnic facilities and playground equipment.

DeSoto Park, South off 7th Street at Baxter St. — 1 acre — Features ice skating in winter, picnic facilities and playground equipment.

Riley Park, North Van Buren Street — 1 acre — Features picnic facilities and playground equipment.

Community Swimming Pool



Public Library

Eckhart Public Library 925-2412
Lucille R. Smith, Librarian
603 S. Jackson

YMCA

YMCA 925-4112
Mike Todd, Executive Director
North Main Street

Hospital

HOSPITAL FACILITIES

The community is blessed with a modern, well-equipped hospital. There are 87 beds, 10 of which are set aside for maternity, seven for pediatrics, and 70 for medical and surgical patients.

The hospital was opened in January 1964; two-thirds of the money necessary for the building and equipment came from donations made by people in the community. The balance came from a federal grant under the Hill-Burton Programs. No tax monies were needed for the construction, nor has any been required for operational expenses.

The hospital has a well-equipped emergency area. It also has an up-to-date laboratory, X ray, physical therapy, and inhalation therapy departments.

For the past several years, the hospital has averaged 70 percent occupancy. During its 1972 fiscal year, 510 babies were born, 1063 surgeries were performed, 8059 X-ray procedures were done, and the laboratory did over 40,000 procedures.

There are 18 physicians on the hospital's active staff. This group sees that one or more of its members are always available for emergency calls at the hospital any time during the day or night.

DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Inc. 925-4600
East 7th St.

Ambulance Service

Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home 925-3918
502 N. Main St.
Gerig Funeral Home 925-3600
368 W. 7th St.

Physicians

Harry M. Covell 925-2966
127 W. 7th

Robert J. Edwards 925-2911
903 S. Cedar

John C. Harvey 925-3808
405 S. Main

C.B. Hathaway Jr. 925-1616
Nicholas

William H. Hathaway 925-1616
Nicholas

John H. Hines 925-3412
405 S. Main

Harland V. Hippensteel Jr. . . 925-2512
208 W. 7th

L.E. Jinnings 925-0040
County Rd 48 W.

David W. Pepple 925-2512
208 W. 7th

Evered E. Rogers 925-0915
212 W. 6th

Bonnell M. Souder 925-2800
205 W. 6th

Dale Treadwell 925-3462
325 E. 9th

Max Wills 925-3966
347 W. 7th

Dentists

Donald E. Derrow 925-3769
102 North Cedar

Frank A. Duncan 925-2660
106 North Cedar

William Henning 925-2812
305 E. 9th

Richard Lieb 925-4762
North Jackson

James Roberts 925-4660
102 N. Clark

Optometrists

M.R. Grueter 925-3116
125 W. 8th

F.J. Longden 925-1916
207 N. Jackson

J.H. Wilkinson 925-3111
104 E. 7th

Churches

Bible Baptist Church 925-3584
208 E. 18th St.

First Christian Church 925-2798
County Rd. 27 N.

Immaculate Conception Church 925-3930
500 E. 7th

Indian Village Church of God 925-1795
Erie Pass

Lutheran Church — St. Marks 925-3882
211 W. 9th

Lutheran Church — Trinity 925-2440
Highway 27 North

Methodist Church — First United 925-0885
1203 E. 7th

Missionary Church 925-4559
500 Ensley

Nazarene Church 925-3480
316 W. 4th

Presbyterian Church 925-2987
South Jackson St.

Church of the Brethren
1010 S. Jackson

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah Witness
1020 W. Ensley

Clubs

The Greenhurst Country Club is located at the north edge of Auburn. This is an 18-hole course with an excellent club for your dining and drinking pleasure. Membership is open and greens fees available. DeKalb County residents may pay greens fees only twice. Call 925-9970 for information.

Among civic clubs there are Rotary, Lions and Kiwanis. There are Jaycees and Jaycee Anns and a Business and Professional Women's Club. Federated Women's Clubs are strong and numerous, both senior and junior.

Fraternal organizations offer varied affiliations for both men and women. DeMolay and Job's Daughters attract the young set.

Fraternal organizations offer varied affiliations for both men and women. DeMolay and Job's Daughters attract the young set. Veterans are invited to join American Legion Post 97.

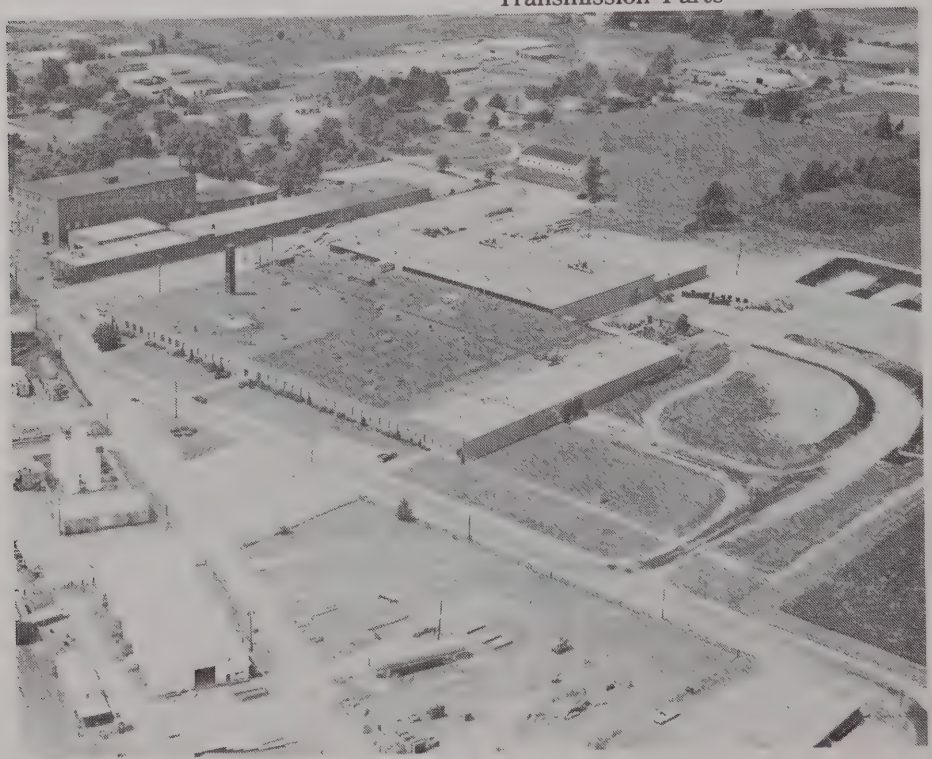
Auburn is fortunate to have an attractive and progressive Chamber of Commerce, located at the corner of West 6th St. and Jackson St. Mrs. Mary Jean Felton is the executive secretary. The telephone is 925-2100.

Among the important county-wide activities to occur in Auburn is the DeKalb County Free Fall Fair. The fair is held around the court house square the last week of September.

Literary and social clubs provide a wide range of study and activities and the Welcome Wagon Club insures every new resident a thorough orientation in community life.

Industries

NAME	BEGINNING YEAR	PRODUCTS
Less than 25 employees		
Auburn Concrete Products Co.	**1946**	Concrete blocks
Bastian Plating Co., Inc.	**1944**	Metal Finishing
Cox Cabinet Co.	**1954**	Kitchen Cabinets
Frazier Farm Equip. Co.	**1961**	Garden Tractor-Roto Tiller repair
Grubb Machine Shop	**1940**	Electric Motor Repairs
Kruse Products	**1970**	Farm Tractor Mufflers
Pemco Adhesive, Inc.	1958	Solvent Based Adhesives and Coatings
Thomas Machine Shop	1940	Product Development and Tooling
Yoder Ready-Mix & Supply Co.	1944	Concrete
25 to 100 Employees		
Foley Pattern Co.	1928	Models, Patterns and Aluminum Castings
Ball Brass and Alum. Foundry	1940	Brass-Bronze-Aluminum Sand Castings
Mid-American Electronics, Corp.	1959	Precision Mold Connectors
100 to 300 Employees		
Auburn Foundry, Inc.	1914	Gray Iron Castings
County Line Cheese Factory	1913	Cheese
Messenger Corporation	1932	Religious Calendars & Greeting Cards
Rieke Metal Products, Corp.	1923	Closures for Steel Drums & Pails
300 to 600 Employees		
Cooper Industrial Products	1960	Industrial & Automotive Rubber Parts
Dana Corp. Salisbury Div.	1947	Clutches, Clutch Assy., Steel Stampings
Warner Gear	1938	Assemble Gear Boxes, Transmission Parts



Banks

Assets as of December 31, 1972

Auburn State Bank
101 North Main St.
Auburn, Indiana — Assets—$29,113,003.67

Auburn Federal Savings & Loan Association
136-140 West 7th St.
Auburn, Indiana — Assets—$23,996,218.65

The City National Bank of Auburn
200 South Van Buren St.
Auburn, Indiana — Assets—$14,431.633.01

Peoples Federal Savings & Loan Association
212 West 7th Street
Auburn, Indiana — Assets—$25,376,959.93

License Bureau

INDIANA DRIVER AND AUTOMOBILE LICENSES

Auburn Auto License Bureau 925-1910
Court House

New Indiana residents must get an Indiana license within 30 days. If you have a valid out-of-state license, an Indiana license will be issued with a written test and an eye examination. If your present license is not valid, a driving and written test will be required. Probable fee, $5.00.

Auto plate licenses are $12.25, plus excise tax. All cars must be Indiana inspected. Inspections are done at car dealerships and service stations displaying signs that they are an inspection station. Plates are issued each year.

VOTING REGISTRATION AND PRIVILEGE

New voters may register after living in Indiana six (6) months, in the city sixty (60) days, and in the precinct or township thirty (30) days.

You MUST register to vote. This is done in the clerk's office, DeKalb County Court House.

A-C-D Festival

Since its beginnings in 1954, the Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Festival has brought together the people of Auburn in a Labor Day weekend activity that celebrates the city's unique automotive past.

They are not alone. From all corners of the United States, from Canada, from across the Atlantic, thousands upon thousands of antique car buffs converge on Auburn, the home of the classics.

From 25,000 to 50,000 persons line the streets of Auburn for the Saturday parade, when over 100 of the famed Auburn, Cord and Duesenberg autos offer a fleeting opportunity to see a multi-million dollar exhibition of the greatest motorcars America has ever known. Later, these great ghosts roam the streets of Auburn, stirring anew memories of this proud and prosperous community that only four decades ago was one of this nation's foremost automotive manufacturing centers. The sight of them parked for judging around Auburn's lovely court house square, or motoring gaily past Auburn's stately homes, is thrilling to car buffs and casual spectators alike.

The highlight of the four-day festival is the international reunion of the Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Club, most of whose 1,400 members own one or more of the classic motorcars. But in recent years, many Auburn organizations have joined long-time festival chairman DelMar Johnson and his committee to produce a celebration of great variety. There are the popular Tri Kappa Antique Show, the State Pro-Am Golf Tournament, live entertainment shows and, on Labor Day, a classic car auction which in 1972 established records for the most cars auctioned, the most expensive car ever auctioned (the Greta Garbo Duesenberg, $90,000) and the greatest value of cars auctioned (nearly $1,000,000). The event received nationwide television coverage in 1972 over NBC.

The goal of this concentration of civic effort is to raise money for an Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg museum. To this purpose, the Auburn Chamber of Commerce and its festival committee this year established Auburn Automotive Heritage, Inc., a non-profit organization which seeks to establish a museum filled with classic motorcars, with facilities for the public to be able to watch actual car restorations as they occur.

The festival, and the city-wide undertaking to establish a classic-car museum of international significance, have helped the city of Auburn retain its youth by the study of its past. And in the process, Auburn has become the classic car capital of the world.

The Auburn Evening Star

The Auburn Evening Star, George O. Witwer, editor and publisher, celebrated its 102nd birthday January 5, 1973. It is the only daily newspaper in DeKalb County, published evenings, Monday through Saturday.

The Evening Star's predecessor, the Auburn Courier, was founded in 1871 by Tom C. Mays, who served as editor for seven years. Theodore Reed and Robert Lowry purchased the Courier from Mays, and in 1880, sold it to James A. Barns and D.Y. Husselman. In 1882, Husselman's interest in the Courier was purchased by F.G. Blair.

Records are incomplete, and the editors and publishers of the paper from 1882 until 1902 are not known.

The Courier, and another paper, the Auburn Dispatch, were purchased by J. Edgar Buchanan who established the Evening Star.

Verne E. Buchanan took over publication of the newspapers and management of the Auburn Printing Company later in 1913 following his father's death. He continued to publish all three papers until November 30, 1968, when the three publications and the printing company were sold to Nixon Newspapers, Inc.

In June of 1969, the weekly Courier and Dispatch were consolidated with the Evening Star by Nixon Associates.

Witwer purchased the newspaper from Nixon Newspapers in December, 1971, selling the printing company to John T. Johnston. Later, the Auburn Printing Company was sold to W. Fred Mayers.

The newspaper offices are located at 118 W. Ninth Street, telephone 925-2611. James D. Kroemer serves as general manager and J. Richard Herring is advertising director.

Other editorial staff members include Jane Kempf, city editor; Bill Fischbach, sports editor; John Peirce, sports writer; Mary Outland, society editor; and Dale D. Grogg, chief photographer and circulation manager. Toby Hatch is production manager.

The newspaper is assembled and composed at the Evening Star office, and is printed by the offset process in the printing plant of the Kendallville Publishing Co., Kendallville, Ind. The Evening Star operates on its premises an instant copy service, Sudden Action Ink, telephone 925-0440.

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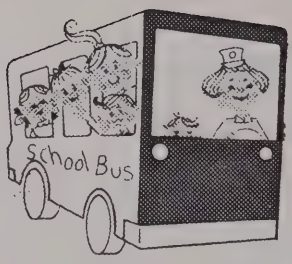

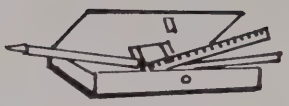

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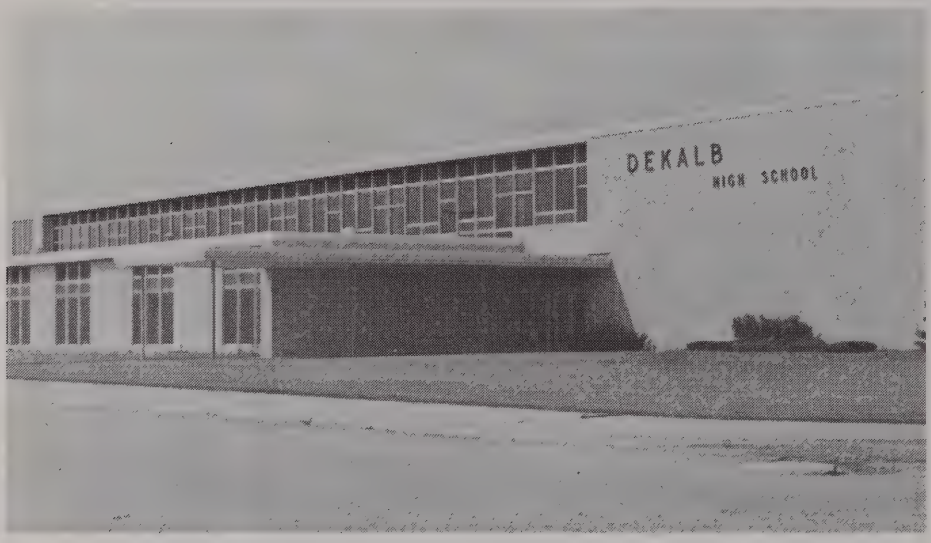

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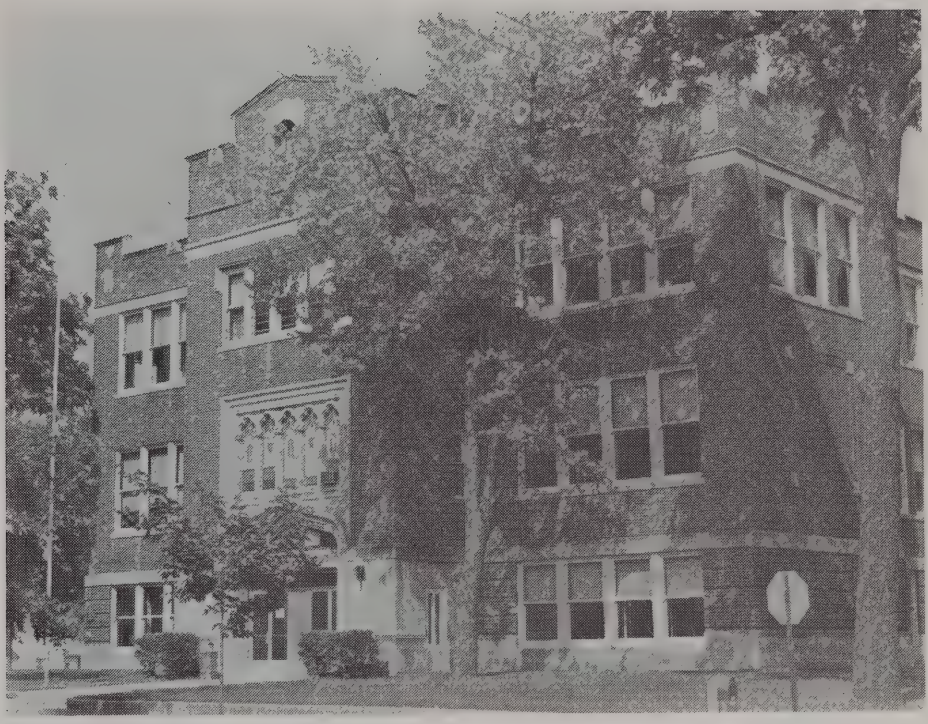

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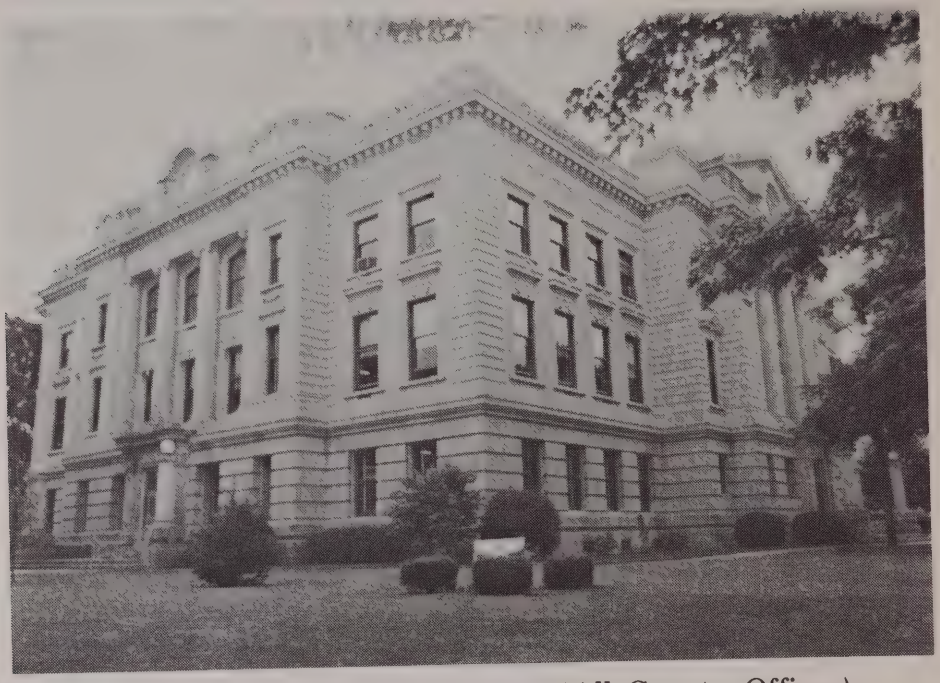

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